

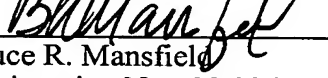
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

With entry of the above Amendment, claims 1-15 are now present in the application, claims 16-21 having been cancelled. Claims 16-21 appear in United States Patent Application No. 09/994,255, filed November 26, 2001, which has now received a Notice of Allowance.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

Respectfully submitted,

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